IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Dayal et al. Group Art Unit: 2616

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For: METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR HITLESS SWITCH MANAGEMENT MODULE

FAILOVER AND UPGRADE

<u>AMENDMENT B</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated May 30, 2008, intended to replace the previous Official Action dated January 10, 2008, and for which a shortened statutory period for reply expires on <u>June 30, 2008</u>. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.